(c) which are the districts in Andhra Pradesh where a demand has been made in 1998-99 and the current year; and

(d) the reasons for ignoring such demands?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (b) Government of Andhra Pradesh has been requested to cosider the construction of houses for the tribals of West Godavari District and action is being taken by them, being the implementing authority. However, and officer also visited West Godavari District during November, 1998 in this regard.

(d) Question does not arise.

**Solar Home Lighting System for SCs and STs in Tripura**

1963. SHRI KHAGEN DAS: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any project propoal has been by the Governmet of Tribpura for providing Solar Home Lighting System to Scheduled Tribes and Scheduled Castes people in Tripura during the Ninth Plan period;

(b) the fund sought for the purpose under Additonal Special Central Assistance; and

(c) whether any fund was released during 1997-98 and 1999?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government of Tripura has sought for financial assistance to the tune of Rs.375.00 lakhs during the Ninth Five Year Plan as Additional special Central Assistance for providing Solar Home Lighting System for Scheduled Tribes.

(c) The proposal of the State Government is under scrutiny, Hence, funds have not been released by the Ministry for the purpose,